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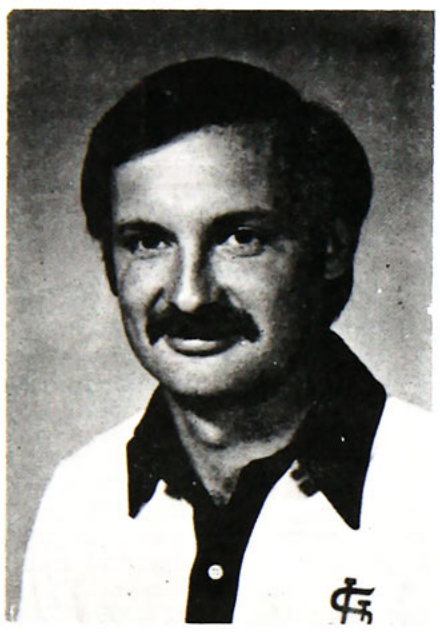

Coach Cabot

Vandalism And Lack Of Interest Swamp Waterfront Activities

Jan Polack
Assistant Editor

In the past month, students have felt it necessary to complain about facilities that the college provides. The main grievance's have been the use of sailboats by the lake front and the lack of a "heated" pool. The basic procedure to be able to sail the boats is that the students must take a swimming and sailing test. The swim test is specifically held in the lake because there is a difference in the atmosphere around the lake. People tend to panic in large bodies of water reason being, they cannot see the bottom because of muddy water, also the margin's of safety areas are drastically reduced. Then for the sailboats, the person must rig a boat, sail and do the capsize drill.

There are only a handful of people utilizing the 3 canoes, 3 sailboats and 2 rowboats in the boat house. It was found that more people used the boats during the weekdays than on the weekends, consequently, the boat house is only open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 2 - 4 p.m. The swim and sail test is good for one year, and has to be renewed every year.

The pool is open from 10 a.m. for sun-bathing, at 2 p.m. swimming is allowed and the area closes at 6 p.m. Beginning in March the pool will be open from 7 to 9 p.m. One student wrote a satire in the "Monarch" on how the catalogue states we have a heated pool. If the college was to heat the pool from January, tuition would rise by at least $200.00 since the gas bill is so high.

A big problem with the lakefront is vandalism. Students break into the boat house and take out the canoes at night, sit in the boat house and drink beer, destroy fencing, door locks, oarlocks, and paddles. Meetings have been set by Mr. Cabot and Rusty Ross to stimulate interest but to no avail. None attended the two meetings, but everyone has complaints. Mr Cabot commented, "If the students would get off their behinds and attend meetings then something could be done about the situation." Any feedback from this article contact Bob Cabot, ext. 226 or Rusty Ross, ext. 384.

Fraternity's Roll To Busch Gardens For Charity Is Scheduled

By Joy Shepherd
Public Information Director

The tenth annual "keg roll" for charity, sponsored by Sigma Lambda Fraternity of Saint Leo College, is scheduled for Saturday, February 27.

Thirty-five members of the fraternity will begin the annual trek from the entrance of Saint Leo College to the entrance of Busch Gardens in Tampa at 8 a.m. The roll will proceed along the back roads to Tampa, coming through on 30th Street and down Fowler to the east, turning south on 40th Street to the entrance of Busch Gardens.

The Muscular Dystropy Association, for the third consecutive year, will be the recipient of all funds collected from this project. St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, the San Antonio Boys' Village in San Antonio, Fl., and Scott's Home for Retarded Children in Zephyrhills have all benefitted from the proceeds of previous keg rolls.

Donations for each mile "rolled" are being solicited from the college and surrounding communities. Anyone wishing to support MDA through the fraternity's efforts is requested to mail a check payable to the Muscular Dystrophy Association to Michael J. Hines, Fraternity Coordinator, at P.O. Box 2586, Saint Leo, FL 33574.

Free admission to Busch Gardens is being given to each participant by the Gardens upon their arrival.

Second Year for Highest Retention At Saint Leo College

By Michelle Dodds
Reporter

This spring semester, St. Leo's had the highest retention rate for the second year in a row. Of the 1,110 students, 1,039 returned. Of those 71 students who did not return, 33 were graduates. According to Dr. Walt Williams, Dean of St. Leo College, there are many reasons for the high retention. He explains it in this way.

"Six years ago, College 101 was introduced. It had an immediate positive influence on student academic achievement as well as survival rate in college. The creation of this course was the harbinger of other changes to come at Saint Leo College. Over the years College 101 has played an important in helping students become oriented in college life and studies. Students who have elected to take this course have been a significant part of the retention story at Saint Leo College.

Developmental courses in reading, composition and mathematics have also contributed to a higher success rate among studies.

A subsequent increase in students who were admitted with academic deficiencies had not been given these and other auxiliary help. Consequently, they came in and either left of their own accord or flunked out because they were pretty much on their own in a "sink or swim" environment.

Within the last six years, Saint Leo College has taken a careful look at how it has been living up to its mission. Despite the institution's mission, relatively little was being done to increase the chances of student success. Subsequently, efforts were made to make the college more responsive to the needs of students. A Dean of the College position was created to oversee the new developments and to help bring about quality programs. Much of what has occurred during this time has centered on programs that have helped to turn things around. For example, there has developed a marked upgrading in academic support services for students, including the useful Course Warnings, explanation of poor achievement at mid-semester, closer tracking of student progress and a closer working arrangement between academic and student affairs offices.

Another factor that has contributed to the higher retention rate is the significant increase in high calibre teachers. Saint Leo has been fortunate in attracting and retaining instructors who possess that rare blend of interest in scholarly pursuit of their disciplines and an equally strong desire to acquire distinction in their teaching.

Students have come to realize that they are getting a quality education and a degree that is comparable to what they would get at other institutions. Satisfaction with the academic program coupled with other parts of the "retention puzzle" e.g., liking other students, making friends, enjoying the difference a small college can make, and so forth, have resulted in more students opting to return.

There has been no general formula to the "retention puzzle". Each student has had his own personal reason for continuing his studies at Saint Leo. On the other hand, without the increased quality in the faculty and constantly improving academic and student life services, the higher retention rate may never have come about.

Through word of mouth, the reputation of Saint Leo College, only 24 years young, is growing. More students are applying to Saint Leo with the intent to complete their degree program here. Fewer students are applying who would rather be someplace else. This trend is expected to continue and to be enhanced with the ever important proof that the college believes in joining each student in a partnership-the notion that both have a stake in a student's success. Herein may lie an important ingredient; a sincere relationship of mutual respect between the students, faculty, staff and administrators. More and more students are quickly identifying with Saint Leo College and thinking of it as their place."

Walter G. Williams-Dean of the Undergraduate Program

WE'D LIKE TO MENTION

By Lisa Blount
Reporter

The better part of this year's pledge season is finished at Saint Leo. Still, there are many non-Greeks who plan to attend Saint Leo College next year and one of the big questions in their minds might be: Do I pledge or not? The **Monarch** asked some Saint Leo students how they felt about pledging and Greek life in general and got some very interesting responses.

Most students see friendship and support as the major advantages to belonging to a fraternity or sorority. They also find a lot of self-satisfaction in doing community service work. Of course all agreed that parties are a great social benefit. Donna Bradice, a second semester sophomore of Phi Tau Omega (last year's "perfect pledge" winner) said, "I think you have a somewhat family-like bond to each other. Whether you like each other or not, you always have something to do and someone to turn to. It makes college life more serious because you have people backing you up. They can tell you what to do and you won't be hurt because you know they have your best interest at heart. It is something to work for and it helps you mature because you're working with all different personalities."

Mike Conners, a second semester sophomore of Kappa Theta, said he saw no disadvantages to Greek life. He mentioned that the advantages could be summed up very simply: "Brotherhood, good times, and wild parties."

On many campuses there is a high degree of competition between fraternities and sororities which leads to conflict. The **Monarch** asked Greeks if they saw a problem of conflict between Greek organizations at Saint Leo.

Bradice commented, "Whenever you put people together there are going to be personality conflicts, but they all dissolve when Greeks get together because all sororities and all frats are one big sister-brother unit."

Conners remarked, "I think this year the frats have grown into a close-knit group. For example, during frat football season, all the different frats would get together after the games at the KA property and throw parties. We're just trying to promote frats in general. If people see conflict, we won't be promoting frat life. That is no good, because we are all pretty much working for the same cause."

Pledging can be a harrowing experience, but Donna and Mike said that for them, it was worth every minute. Donna noted, "When you pledge, it takes up a lot of time. You have to sacrifice time from social life and school work. Getting up on Saturday morning, hung over, for a car wash or fund-raiser is pretty bad. However, pledging is one of the best moves a student can make if she/he wants to enjoy his college life." Mike added, "I thought pledging was pretty easy. I had a good pledge class, so that kind of helped me out. We just stuck together. If one of us was going to be black-balled, we would all be black-balled. It is harder with smaller pledge classes."

Not all pledge applicants can be accepted. It seems inevitable that there will be some friction and resentful feelings after the interview. When the two were asked what they felt was the best way to deal with the feelings of people who were excluded, they both agreed on one point: it is important to let the person know that he/she shouldn't take it personally.

Donna commented, "The individual sister has to decide how to go about this. We don't like turning people away, but because of Panhellenic rules, we are only allowed to take one less member than we have total. All we can say is, if they don't get a bid to pledge, they should try again if they really want to. We hope they'll come for another interview and not just say 'No way'. They should understand that friendship and sisterhood are two entirely different things."

Conners reflected, "The whole idea behind the interview is to get to know the pledges so that we can tell who is interested and who isn't. At the end of two week's time, all we can say is we're sorry if you didn't make it. Try with another frat. It's not that you aren't o.k., it is just that you don't belong in our frat. Maybe you would fit into another one better."

The benefits of a national versus local organizations is a highly controversial issue. It seems impossible to get a concensus on this issue. Some claim that local greek organizations are more personal and that national one's defeat their purpose because they are so large. Others argue that nationals are better because a students can transfer automatically to other schools, and because they provide future social and business contacts.

The **Monarch** asked Donna and Mike if they thought there was a significant difference between national and local organizations. Donna replied, "Yes, I definitely do. I know they are run differently. Their needs are different and nationals' pay more dues. Locals are better because they are a lot more personal." Mike added, "The only national fraternity on this campus is Sigma Phi Epsilon. Basically, the aspect of brotherhood is the same whether local or national, but Sig Ep isn't part of the I.F.C. They are out there at the Grove House, so they're isolated from the main stream of fraternity life. I'm not condemning Sig Eps, but on this campus, I think locals are better because they're part of the I.F.C.

Not everyone agrees that all these advantages of Greek life mentioned by Donna and Mike outweigh the disadvantages. Some students simply do not have the time that Greek life demands or they don't want to be stereotyped. They feel that sorority or fraternity involvement would detract from their identity as an individual.

The **Monarch** spoke to a group of baseball players. One said, "I don't really see the advantage of belonging to a fraternity. Sure, you get to wear a cap and a T-shirt, but all that says is, 'look at me, I made a fool of myself for three weeks'." Another commented that pledging a frat was like "paying fifty dollars to buy a friend." He added, "The sports teams are virtually the same thing, but we don't pay a dime. As far as parties being a benefit, I don't think so. They only have two parties a year and the whole college is invited anyway."

Stephanie Phillips said she would never pledge again at Saint Leo. Her sorority experience at the University of Mississippi had been very good, but she discovered that one Saint Leo sorority, Phi Tau Omega, did not meet her expectations. "I went out for rush--got cut, but that is o.k. After being a member of one of the top National sororities for two years, being a part of a local one would not be of much significance in my life. The ironic part is that they act apologetic, and there really is nothing to be sorry about. In fact, the experience was quite enlightening....now I know who my real friends are."

To pledge or not to pledge, that is the question. What's your response?

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OPINIONS

By Chris Shaughnessy

How Will Reagan's Budget Cuts Affect You?

Fiona Savin-Freshman
"It will affect me indirectly through less money loaned to Caribbean countries and paying more for college foreign exchange."

Bob Santo-Freshman
"It's going to be hard to get any financial aid for next year and years to come."

Charlie Leonard-Sophomore
"I think it will affect the students as a whole because college education is essential in fulfilling one's goals."

George Gano-Sophomore
"In the short run it won't affect me, but in the long run it will put the economy back in shape."

Andrew Reynolds-Junior
"I don't think all these financial cuts are necessary. It's making the rich richer and the poor poorer."

Ingrid Forbes-Junior
"Special services and education aid will be severely cut. As a special education teacher I may have to eliminate curriculum."

Maria Chihocky-Senior
"Financial aid has been cut--no more partying!"

Paul Tedeschi-Senior
"It affects the middle man most towards education, he, in turn, cuts all money for education."

Feedback

Sharing And Always Caring

Editor,

Sharing and Always caring is the motto the Delta sisters have always been proud to uphold. The sorority as a whole works together to create an aura of togetherness and friendship as they serve the college and community.

The Delta sisters hold many service projects, which help the students as well as the college. This year Delta held Teachers' Appreciation Day, sold Saint Leo T-shirts, worked registration for parents weekend, worked at the Greek Festival, and cleaned campus to name a few.

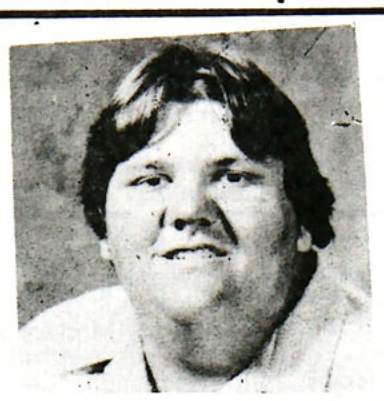
The Delta sisters also help others besides the Saint Leo community. This year, the sisters worked at the Rattlesnake Festival, held a Halloween party for the children of Montesori school, made frequent visits to the Dade City Geriatric Center and walked ten miles for UNICEF.

Delta sisters pride themselves on their support of other Greek organizations. Delta nominated Teresa Berry for Winter Queen, which was sponsored by Alpha Sigma. They also nominated Robin Jordan and Jim Foley for sweetheart couple, and Kevin Murphy for Mr. Muscle. Both events were sponsored by Psi Theta Epsilon. Many of the Delta sisters gave blood at the blood bank sponsored by Phi Theta Chi. Delta participated in the Sigma Phi Epsilon capture, is very active in Panhellenic, and arranges the annual Greek Week mass, promoting unity and sportsmanship to all Greeks.

Delta, besides doing these things, finds the time to relax and have a good time. One of the sisters favorite events is the Annual Christmas formal party. Delta sponsored M*A*S*H night at the bar, and always has a good time when they get together with other organizations.

Delta is having a great year together and attributes their success to hard work, good friends, and their moderator Chuck Fisk.

By Cathy Shannon



Sig Ep President, Tom Cole

Sig Ep: New Outlook

Editor,

The brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon have a new outlook for '82. The semester was started off with the elections of a new executive board. Tom Cole was elected president, Dana Yoko, vice-president, Tom Granato controller, Jim King secretary, Andy Altee recording secretary and Nick Akres chaplain. The executive board is the backbone of the fraternity and is a promising group of young men. A few of the brothers previously attended a regional leadership convention which was held in Atlanta, Georgia on February 5. The convention was the meeting place for Sig Eps from all over the country. The purpose of the convention was for the brothers to learn and experience leadership training at its best, and to gain new ideas for our chapter here. For the future the fraternity has planned a banquet on March 28 to celebrate its first year as a chapter on Saint Leo College Campus. Sigma Phi Epsilon has come a long way in one year, and will continue to grow strong through brotherhood and unity.

By Daniel Kelleher

Getting Your Facts Straight

Dear Editor,

It has come to my attention in your January 29 issue of the Monarch, after reading it, that this newspaper has not done its research. First of all, Dennis K. Henry did not design the "Grease" set. Kathy J. Neumeyer did. Kathy, a senior at Saint Leo's, is studying scene design under the direction of Dr. David Golden. Never assume you are right until you have checked the facts. This is the first rule of thumb in journalism. However, I must give you credit as Mr. Henry did design the lights.

But, there are a few other minor details to settle as well. Such as, why were the names of the stage managers, costumers, and props people left out. Do you realize that without the talents of this crew headed up by the stage manager there would have been no "Grease" production?

These people deserve as much credit as the people on stage. So next time you decide to print an article get the facts straight and give credit where credit is due.

Signed,
A Technician

Editors Reply:

Technician,

I noticed you were "extremely observant" in researching your facts as well. If you read the article, you would have seen that the by-line read: By Joy Shepherd, Public Information Director. One of my staffers did not write that article, therefore, we did not "assume" anything. Ms. Shepherd received her initial information from the Theatre Department itself! If you have any complaints about the information supplied, hash it out with the person who gave that initial information to be printed.

The names of the stage crew were left out because this was a general press release. In press release's that go out to the surrounding newspapers, it is not customary to include the "other minor details", since, invariably, they end up on the editor's cutting table. Perhaps those people do deserve credit as you say, but the question you must ask yourself is: Is this news? Will people really be interested in reading this?

Once you have answered that question and are in the editor's position, then you can differentiate between what is news, fact, or credit, and what should be published.

Theresa Schretzmann
Editor in Chief

P.S. When the facts are straight, I sign my name.

The Show Must Go On

Editor,

"Grease" was threatened when one of its most dynamic characters got extremely ill with strep infection. Cindy Karekos, who plays Rizzo, had a very high fever and a severe sore throat plus 22 fever blisters on her mouth during Friday, February fifth's performance. In between acts, her forehead was pressed with cloths soaked with alcohol to cool the fever. She wouldn't give up. She sang, "Look at Me, I'm Sandra Dee" with so much hurt she had tears in her eyes because it hurt to smile. No one in the audience knew what condition she was in except the cast, and they were all wondering at what moment she would collapse. She says, remembering, "I felt like they were all looking at me like they knew something was wrong with me." No one even guessed.

The next night, Saturday, though it was impossible for her to perform. Two hours before performance time the director, Dr. Golden had called a rehearsal and found a substitute. Catherine Stanberry was primed to do the part excluding any dance routines, and at 8:15 the curtain went up in front of a packed house.

Kathy did a convincing job, but Cindy was sorely missed. She lay in her bed with band-aids on her face thinking about someone else wearing her costumes and singing her songs. All she could think of was the show.

The next performance, scheduled Tuesday, was anticipated as going up without Cindy again, but Cindy had been practicing her songs in Marmion's laundry room, and just as Kathy Stanberry finished putting her make up on and had curlers in her hair, Cindy walked in the dressing room and announced that Rizzo was alive and well.

There is an old axiom in theater circles: "the show must go on," and it always does.

Pamela Schuessler

LENT: TIME FOR CHANGE OF HEART

Editor,

Another Lent, and as this one begins, I find my mind wandering, in fact, I am groping with the idea of change, after all, thats what Lent is all about. Allow me to share a story about change with you.

During the winter, teams of bulldozers are put to work on the wind-swept stepps of Kazakhstan in Russia to pile up great mounds of snow. Their purpose is to save as much precious moisture as possible for the year's crops. This winter long snow saving is one of several ways in which Kazakh farmers work doubly hard to make an inhospitable region productive as one of the crucial grain producing regions of the U.S.S.R.

When the spring thaw comes, the water from the melting snow is channeled into special reservoirs and used for irrigation during the hot dry summers in the region. The size of the Kazakhstan crop makes the difference between bumper or bust in the Soviet Union and affects the amount of American grain the Soviets buy each year. In Kazakhstan water is like money in the bank. Water is vital for life. Without adequate sources of water people in drought areas around the world get sick from unsanitary conditions and suffer from hunger. But once sufficient water is brought in by irrigation or by other means, the people are saved from sickness and starvation.

Water as a source of salvation is a frequent image in the Bible. St. Peter alludes, (First Sunday of Lent) to the flood when he writes: "In Noah's time, eight persons escaped in the ark through the water. Now you are saved by a baptismal bath.

Water was not only an element of destruction in the flood, but also the means of deliverance for Noah and his family. Now this happens to us, according to Peter, when we are baptized with water. Through this sacrament we come into contact with the saving power of Jesus Christ.

If we allow Him, Jesus can save us from ruthless ambition that causes us to lie and cheat to get ahead, and from any deep-seated insecurity that causes us to accumulate and hoard things. Jesus can deliver us from prolonged moods of depression that dampen our outlook, and from extended periods of loneliness that causes us so much sorrow.

That is why Jesus became man--to heal us, to make us whole again. He comes into our midst to heal us, to make us whole again. He comes into our midst to heal us of our division and factions, our wounds and hurts, and of our discouragement when we fail or make mistakes. He comes to liberate us from our addictions regarding drugs, and to free us from self-indulgence regarding drink and sex.

If water can change the steppes of Kazakhstan from a province of poverty into a place of plenty, how much more change can Jesus bring about in us. He can take our wounded pride when people reject us and change it into a free-loving spirit that continues reaching our to people in trust. Jesus can change us from people who give off negative vibrations because of our pessimistic attitude into people who bring about positive reinforcement because of our optimistic approach to life.

Water in a drought can make all the difference between life and death, nourishment and hunger. In the same way, Jesus can make all the difference between always being hungry and thirsty for fulfillment, and actually finding it here and now. He can make all the difference between a life of endless desperation and a life of deep satisfaction.

If water can save hungry people in drought regions from starvation, why don't we let Jesus transform the barrenness and emptiness of our living into something fruitful?

Lent is a time of making a fresh effort to change our hearts and live more fully up to God's expectations. What better time to change than now, Lent 1982. Good Luck!

Brother Edward Lamp,
College Ministry Director

Feedback

Editor,

Thanks be to God for Marcus Baker and his crew who took down and, after housecleaning, put back the abbey and college purple martin condo's. A great help and a great big thanks.

Brother Bernard, O.S.B.

Editor,

It is absolutely necessary to devastate the citizens in order to manufacture armaments.

Brother Bernard, O.S.B.

World News Briefs

From The Wires of Daily News Digest, Research Publications, Subscriber: REUTERS News Service

POLISH AUTHORITIES say nearly 1,000 dissidents now face summary execution for offenses against martial law; trouble mounts in Poznam, Swidnik, & Lubin where bomb was defused that could have caused "massacre"....GM closing 2 plants for indefinite period, 1st time it has done so....PIG/HOG herds hurt bad by Midwest weather; thousands killed by freezing temps....GM struggling w/1.4+bil in new long-term debt taken on in last qtr '81; debt as % of capitalization (impt measure of financial health) jumped to 17.7% fr prev 9.6%....COMMUNIST PARTY now rules Juchitan, Mexico (southern Mexico) in Oaxaca state; CP making victory rallying cry for more elections....NEW CUBAN "BOATLIFT" feared by US Immigration; Cubans travel to other Latin America countries, then stow away in ships headed for US....20,000 SALVADORANS in Juarez, across fr El Paso, waiting to slip into US....KHOMENI REGIME said to have budgeted $18 mil to spread Islamic revolution; key target is Saudi Arabia....IRAN/SOVIET accords on econ agmt signed 2/15. "We consider USSR a friendly country," says Iran's Energy Minister....PBS report, "Inside Iran: The Ugly Terror", aired 2/12, says 5,000-10,000 Soviet advisers in country; Tehran Hilton houses 34 KGB operatives....MEXICAN MONEY fleeing to US. Some $4 Bil in '81's 2nd half alone! Much is in cash to buy land, condos, New Mexico, Texas, Calif., chief areas....S&L's have 64% of deposits paying hi interest rates while outstanding mtgs yield 10% or less. US League of Savings Associations surveyed 2000 institutions and said fed assistance needed....WESTERN BANKS near panic over Soviet econ retaliation in Polish Crisis: Moscow has removed major assets fr W. banks, has sold huge amts gold; told Japan. W. Germans & French firms selling to USSR that bills won't be paid for 6 mos...RED CHINA Army Chief of Staff said 2/3 his 4-mil man army couldn't fight USSR in modern warfare till organization/discipline improved....RED CHINA "purging" Community Party. Many could die....ZIMBABWE'S MUGABE to attempt formation of one-party state....OIL PRICES cut by Iran, Saudis as glut continues....CANADIAN ARMED FORCES so weak & ill-equipped they would have trouble defending country or fulfilling NATO committments, says their Senate Comm of Fgn Affairs....FRANCE hit by 20 bomb & machine gun attacks 2/11 in 1 of most violent nights since Algerian war in early '60s....GROWING # PRIVATE ECONOMISTS saying depression may be in store for US....US GOLD COMM, 2/12, by 1 vote, ruled our recommending US return to gold std....TEXACO to close 2 refineries in Okla and Wyo due to low oil demand....NEW SOVIET SS-21 rptd to be improved version of SS-20 & capable of firing in less time than any other missile in world; range: 624 mi, could hit all of Europe.....QUEBEC facing econ disaster w/soaring gov costs; $3 bil deficits each of last 2 yrs....QUAKES: None, to our knowledge!

WED PRICES: GOLD (LondonPM)-$374.00 SILVER (H&H)-$8.38

Louis Watkins Talks To S.G.A.

Louis Watkins, Artist of Abbey Church Print Series

By Mary Ann DeMeo
News Editor

The Student Government Association had a meeting on February 15, 1982 in Selby Auditorium. Topics discussed were the S.G.A. elections for new officers to be held in March, S.G.A. Awards Banquet, sales of the Abbey Church prints, and International Club funding.

Those interested in running for President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary should pick up petitions in the S.G.A. office. One must be a full time student and be free of academic probation to be elected a member of S.G.A. Frank Merrill then talked about the Awards Banquet to be held on March 26 in McDonald Cafeteria. If there is an outstanding student or teacher that you have in mind, you are urged to nominate them for outstanding teacher or student. The forms can be picked up in the S.G.A. office and the deadline is March first.

The high point of the meeting was when noted artist Louis Watkins took the platform and gave a speech encouraging the S.G.A. to sell all the prints he made of the Abbey Church. First, there will be a committee of '82 that will be composed of students and any other's interested in selling the prints.

There will be a dinner for their honor to be held before the semester is over. He said that the money will be used to help all students because all students use the Library. The money from the prints (half of it) will go to the library fund. There will be a plaque in the Library listing all of the members of the committee of '82.

Also, International Club motioned for $250, the motion was raised to $300 and passed by a majority. The money will be used for International Week to be held during the first week in March.

Theology Institute In Christology Being Sponsored By Saint Leo College

By Joy Shepherd
Public Information Director

DR. GERALD S. SLOYAN, Professor of Religion at Temple University, will deliver an overview from the time of Christ to modern day Catholic Theology at the "Theology Institute in Christology" being held at Saint Leo College May 28-30.

A priest of the Trenton, N.J. diocese, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Seton Hall University, a Licentiate in Sacred Theology and Doctor of Philosophy degree, both from the Catholic University of America.

A noted Catholic theologian of great renown, Dr. Sloyan is one of few Americans to have received the medal Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice, a Papal award for service to the Church, and also received the John Courtney Murray Award in 1981 from the Catholic Theological Society of America.

Formerly the president of The Liturgical Conference and also formerly president of the College Theology Society, he served on the editorial board for Worship from 1968-1978, has served on the editorial board for the Journal of Ecumenical Studies since 1968 and on the editorial board for Horizons since 1972.

A well known author, his most current book is entitled Is Christ the End of the Law? and was published in 1978 by Westminster Press.

The Theology Institute will begin with registration at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 28, followed by Dr. Sloyan's first address at 8 p.m. on "The Christologies of the New Testament and the Great Councils". A reception honoring him will conclude the evening's agenda.

After a discussion group on Saturday morning, Dr. Sloyan's second address will begin at 10:30 a.m. and is entitled, "The Christologies of the Schoolmen and St. Francis, the Reformers and Loyola." His final address is scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday and is entitled, "The Christologies of Schliermacher, Barth, and contemporary Catholic Theology." A discussion group will follow his address and the day's program will move to the lakefront for a barbecue in the early evening.

Group leaders for the discussions will include Anne Brennan, Ph.D., John W. Gracy, Ph.D., Visiting Professor of Theology at Saint Leo, Michael Sadusky, Adjunct Professor of Religion at Saint Leo, and William Shea, Ph.D., Professor of Religious Studies at the University of South Florida.

A panel discussion with the group leaders and Dr. Sloyan will be held Sunday Morning prior to 10:30 a.m. liturgy in the Abbey Church.

The Institute is being coordinated by Tyson Anderson, Ph.D., Institute Director. Enrollment is limited and on-campus housing is available. The overall fee, which includes two nights and four meals, is $65 per person. The Conference fee only is $35.

For additional information, contact Dr. Anderson by writing P.O. Box 2158, Saint Leo, Fl. 33574 or calling 904-588-8288.

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A Caribbean Flare Offered During International Week

By Joy Shepherd
Public Information Director

The second annual International Week at Saint Leo College is scheduled for February 28 through March 5 and is again being sponsored by the International Club on campus.

The first event will be a 10:30 a.m. Mass in the Abbey Church on February 28 with songs sung with a distinctive Caribbean flavour. On Monday, March 1, at 3 p.m. a Swim Meet will be held in the College's Intercollegiate Pool with the International students dividing into three groups and competing amongst themselves.

On Tuesday, March 2, beginning at 4 p.m. a Scavenger Hunt, open to the entire campus, will begin in the circle in front of McDonald Center.

Film strips have been secured by the International students from Antigua, Jamaica, Trinidad, St. Croix, Haiti and the Bahamas and will be shown on Wednesday, March 3, at 7:30 p.m. in Selby Auditorium as a part of the "Hospitality Night". Refreshments will follow.

Bowling competition will be held on Thursday evening at 7 p.m. in the College's bowling lanes with organized groups competing from among the faculty, international students and other campus organizations.

The grand finale will be on Friday, March 5, with the ever-popular "International Night", which begins at 8 p.m. in McDonald Cafeteria. This event features songs native to the Caribbean, island dancing such as reggae, calypso, and the like and skits. Following the show will be a street dance and hors d'oeuvres native to the island cuisine. Admission is $2 per person.

For additional information or to purchase tickets, contact Miss Erna-Mae Tonge, International Student Specialist, at 904-588-8266.

View From La Rive Gauche

By Maribeth Durst
Assistant Professor of Sociology

As an assignment for my anthropology class a few weeks ago, my students had to go through an entire day blindfolded, including showering, dressing, eating, attending classes, and even watching TV. The exercise was designed to teach them how it feels to be an outsider in the United States and how this society treated people it labels as "different". Apparently, they learned their lessons all too well. The complaint I heard most often from them was that other students played tricks on them, laughed at their earnest attempts to manuever in total darkness, and were occasionally downright nasty. Some people in the class wondered if that meant all humans were naturally cruel and mean. Of course, that is not true because in many societies, people are not nasty to each other at all. (In fact, it quite ethnocentric to think that the behavior of all of humanity should be guaged by what Americans do or do not accept as "normal".)

So, why were my students subjected to ridicule? To my mind, it's because carping criticism and conformity are so much a part of American culture. Under the label of so-called competition (which, in and of itself, can be good for getting people to strive for excellence) as children we learn through carping criticism that one way to achieve success is to make others look like failures. I'm sure we all can remembers incidents in grade school or high school, for example, where some were congratulated for giving "the right answer" and showing up someone who "got it wrong". In fact, throughout the entire American socialization process, children all too often learn that their value as persons is not necessarily measured by how well they do, but by how well they can make others look bad.

The opposite side of that coin is conformity. The fear of failure, of being held up to the ridicule of classmates or playmates, forces many of us to hug the middle ground and duplicate the actions and attitudes of everyone around us.

Rigid conformity and carping criticism both prompt us to ridicule those who are different, no matter what the difference. By laughing at them, we are assuring ourselves that we are not like them; rather, we are normal, average and above all acceptable. So, we laugh at the blind man who falters, at the clothes of the beggar, and at the students who make the wrong responses. Our "success" is measured by how well we have achieved making others miserable.

The question is: is our own self-esteem enhanced by tearing others down? What do you think?

A Student Retreat?

The whole idea of a Student retreat being held for Saint Leo College students would seem to provoke more questions than answers, but Brother Edward Lamp, O.S.B. has worked it out where there is the opportunity for a retreat for at least 40 of our college students. This retreat is being planned for the weekend of March 5, 6, & 7 beginning at 6 p.m. Friday evening and ending with lunch on Sunday.

The retreat will be held at Pilgrim Center and will be conducted by Father Henry Riffle, O.S.B., Direct of Pilgrim Center and Brother Mel Stinson, O.S.B., youth coordinator. The theme of the is to be "An Invitation...To Discover, To Become, To Be Fully Alive, Fully Christian." The program is being planned specifically for students of Saint Leo College.

With the above facts, the only question that remains is the why and that's quite simple. There were at least 20 students who wanted the opportunity for growth as person who is Christian.

The maximum number of people who will be accepted for the Retreat is 40 and there are already 29 who have signed up. For others who may be interested, please contact the campus ministry office for further details and registrations.

Student Profile: Mike Sears

By Mary Nahas
Special Interest Editor

Mike Sears, from Ludlow Massachusettes, is a junior majoring in physical education. Mike is a friendly character who loves to get involved and help his fellow students.

In his freshman year, Mike worked as a student trainer for all sports. He was also manager, scorekeeper, and statistician for the soccer team, and announcer for the baseball team.

In his sophomore year, he was a member of the King's court for the Renaissance Festival and was chosen to be one of "Mr. Muscle" candidates by Panhellenic. He became a member of Kappa Theta (KO) fraternity and played on the varsity soccer team. He was trainer for all the athletic teams and he also coached Saint Anthony's soccer team.

This year, Mike is a Resident Assistant (R.A.) for Saint Edwards Hall. He is also the athletic director for KO and for all the sports team. He also was involved in the Greek Festival.

One memorable event in Mike's life was that he played in the Junior Soccer World-Cup when he was fourteen in Toronto, Canada against teams from West Germany, Saint Louis, Madrid and Toronto. As you read, you may wonder how Mike, being 5'5", became an athletic trainer. Well, it is quite simple. Mike was always involved in sports in his youth and enjoys sports so much that he volunteered to be an athletic trainer. Consequently, Mike was doing an efficient job, and Saint Leo's P.E. department promoted him to a full-time student athletic trainer. "I like working with the baseball team the best, because I can easily relate to what is happening in the game and with the players," Mike commented. "I want to become a professional trainer, hopefully in baseball. If things don't work out, I intend to go to grad school and get certified in athletic training," Mike answered.

"I would like to thank Coach Richert for helping me get through these past two years, and especially I would like to thank Angel Lebron for giving me the encouragement here at Saint Leo," added Mike.

Finally, Mike ends, "Saint Leo College is what you make of it and so far it has been pretty good to me."

Dade City To Hold "Heart Of Florida" Folk Festival

The 13th annual "Heart of Florida" folk festival will be held at the Dan Cannon Auditorium on February 27th, from 10:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. during the annual Pasco County Fair.

There will be over 100 performers participating in this year's festival, entertaining with folk music, bluegrass, gospel, folk dancing, storytelling, clogging and other related kindred lore. Some of the performers will be coming from north Florida, having performed in the "Florida Folk Festival" held at White Springs every year in the spring.

The Heart of Florida Folk Festival encourages the use of folk songs, music, dances, legends and kindred lore to help preserve the traditional expressions which reflect life as it has been lived in the United States and in other countries from which our people came.

The Rainbow Cloggers, Sumter County Cloggers, Joyce Stover Staats, New Sand Mountain Wild Cats, The Beaumont Family, Don Grooms, The Wind That Shakes The Barley, Florida Mid-State Ramblers and others will be performing with musch and entertainment for every age.

Plan to come by and listen awhile when you come to the Pasco County Fair, February 27th.

Dying For A Quaalude?

By Tim Wise
Director of Counseling

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Quaaludes when taken with alcohol are potentially DEADLY. This style of mixing alcohol and quaaludes is the most common way these drugs are abused. Alcohol is a depressant, and quaaludes are a sedative. Put the two together in the right amount, and you get respiratory distress.

You DIE because you stop BREATHING!!!

Thousands of young people every year die of an accidental OVERDOSE. There is no way to know what dosage is deadly as it varies from person to person. If you know someone who is mixing these drugs, or if you are mixing them, then PLEASE stop! It truly is a matter of "life and breath".

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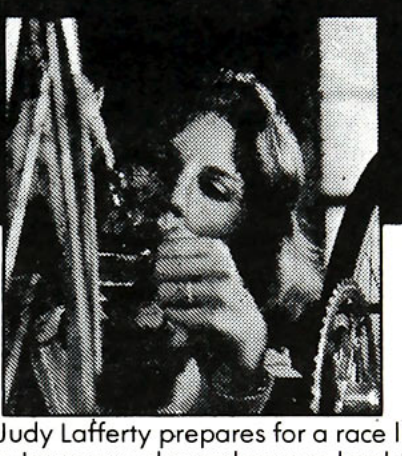

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